

Scaldwell Parish Council

Annual Report 2011/2012

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SCALDWELL PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT 2011/2012

List of Council Members during the past year and Officers

Chairman

Mrs Pam Long Orchard House, West End, Scaldwell Tel: 881940

Vice-Chairman

Mrs Margaret Vinton The Old House, East End, Scaldwell Tel: 880359

Mr Michael Alcock The Poplars Farm, The Green, Scaldwell Tel: 881948

Mr Eugene O'Leary 5 Back Lane, Scaldwell Tel: 881084

Mrs Joan Randell Newstone House, High Street, Scaldwell Tel: 881595

Mr Alisdair Tait Sunnydene, Bakers Lane, Walgrave Tel: 781799

Mr Frank Wiig 9 Pytchley Close, Brixworth Tel: 880165

Clerk

Mr Jonathan Harris 11 Pytchley Way, Brixworth Tel: 881182

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Chairman's Report

The Parish Council elections will have taken place by the time this report is published. Once again we are delighted with the amount of interest from so many villagers about becoming a Councillor. This is uncommon in many villages and this May, Scaldwell is the only Parish in the Daventry District to have a contested election. The above list of councillors will therefore have changed since the election, but thank you to all the villagers who have shown an interest in the work of the Parish Council and to the many villagers who have worked for the benefit of the village in so many ways in the past year.

The following list briefly outlines the activities of the Parish Council; further information is available on our website, or from any of the Councillors:-

Parish Council activities during the year to 31 March 2012

Meetings

Seven Council meetings were held during the year. All meetings are open to the public. Notice of meetings and the agenda are displayed on the bus shelter notice board and Parish Council website approximately one week prior to the meeting.

The Parish Council has continued to receive support by District Councillor Liz Wiig and County Councillor Chris Millar. Often their support and advice goes unnoticed but the councillors are aware of how much they do in the background, in support of our village.

At the time of writing we do not know the outcome of the Parish Council election, but I

would like to thank Alisdair Tait for his work as councillor over the past four years and particularly Frank Wiig, who, as both Parish and District Councillor has provided invaluable assistance to the village and Parish Council. As Alisdair has moved out of the village he has decided not to continue as councillor; unfortunately Frank's poor health has prevented him from continuing and we all wish him well.

The new list of councillors will be included in the next village newsletter.

The Council has continued to respond to concerns raised by villagers on a variety of matters such as those concerning planning, Rights of Way and dog fouling. The Council communicates regularly with the District and County Councils and their representative councillors, with MGWSP on Highways and Rights of Way issues and with neighbouring parish councils. In addition the Council has continued to oversee street lighting in the village and maintenance of the village greens. Councillors and the Clerk have represented the council at various meetings such as the local police Community Panel Meetings, local charities and village organisations.

Highways

The Parish Council has been in regular contact with MGWSP and Northamptonshire County Council to ensure the roads and signage are maintained to a good standard and to press for quick repairs to potholes, damaged signs and replacement of salt in the salt bins. Some of the village street signs were repainted during the year.

Playing field

Great credit goes to the work of the Scaldwell Playing Field Community Group for all their efforts and success in improving the playing field and fundraising for new equipment. Congratulations to all who have been involved with this project.

The transformation of the field is tremendous and we are delighted that plans are in place to ensure the sustainability of the field and its equipment.

We are in the process of having the playing field designated a Queen Elizabeth II Playing Field as part of the Diamond Jubilee celebrations.

Parish Council Website

The website has continued to be a very useful method of keeping villagers informed of Council activities and village matters. Copies of the agendas and minutes of Council meetings are available to download from the site which is regularly updated with council news including details of recent planning applications. Over the past year the website received an average of 160 visits per month.

Finance

The Council has made efforts to ensure it is getting best value for money. A copy of the Annual Accounts is included in this report. As the Parish Council has been dealing with the finances for the playing field, the income and expenditure looks considerably higher than usual.

Quality Status

In September 2011, the Parish Council was successful in being re-accredited as a

Quality Council. This status lasts for four years. Scaldwell is one of only twelve parish councils in Northamptonshire to have this status.

I would like to thank all of my fellow Councillors for their time and their hard work over the last four years – especially to Margaret, my Vice-Chairman for all her help and support. Finally, I would like to express our sincere gratitude to our Clerk, Jonathan, for his total commitment over this past term; he works tirelessly to ensure that our Parish Council performs efficiently and complies with all the legislation that is continually being updated. We are extremely fortunate to have Jonathan as our clerk, and we greatly appreciate all of his hard work. Thank you.

Pam Long - Chairman of Scaldwell Parish Council

SCALDWELL PARISH COUNCIL
Summary Receipts and Payments Account
For the Year Ended 31st March 2012

Year Ended 31 st March 2011		Year Ended 31 st March 2012
£		£
	RECEIPTS	
11250.00	Precept	11250.00
14.30	Bank Interest	17.14
311.92	NCC Grant towards grass cutting	280.73
49300.00	NCC Playbuilder Grant	- -
- -	Playing Field Grants	53366.08
<u>70.40</u>	Insurance adjustment	<u>- -</u>
60946.62		64913.95
4943.49	VAT Recovered	5479.76
<u>65890.11</u>	Total Receipts	<u>70393.71</u>
	PAYMENTS	
2591.34	Parish grass cutting	2060.00
275.31	Annual Audit fees	540.31
870.38	Insurance	987.06
710.08	Street lighting - electricity supply	710.08
193.49	Street lighting - maintenance	235.60
100.00	Hire of Hall for meetings	80.00
2266.56	Clerk salary	2471.76
336.21	Clerk expenses/training fees	306.62
229.35	Annual subscriptions	242.56
1455.06	Playing field - inspection/maintenance	221.37
25790.00	Playing field - equipment	65932.48
250.00	Grants to village organisations	- -

459.00	Clock	- -
<u>759.66</u>	Bus shelter / notice board / greens / trees	<u>455.00</u>
36286.44		74242.84
4883.35	VAT Paid	13172.94
<u>41169.79</u>	Total Payments	<u>87415.78</u>

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Receipts and Payments Summary
For the Year Ended 31st March 2012

Year Ended 31 st March 2011		Year Ended 31 st March 2012
£		£
10558.64	Balance Brought Forward at 1.4.11	35278.96
<u>65890.11</u>	Add Total Receipts	<u>70393.71</u>
76448.75		105672.67
<u>41169.79</u>	Less Total Payments	<u>87415.78</u>
35278.96	Balance Carried Forward at 31.3.12	18256.89
	These Cumulative Funds are represented by:	
500.00	Current Account - Royal Bank of Scotland	500.00
<u>34778.96</u>	Deposit Account - Royal Bank of Scotland	<u>17756.89</u>
35278.96		18256.89

SUPPORTING STATEMENT
For the Year Ended 31st March 2012

At 31/3/12 the following assets were held at original cost value:

Bus shelter	2546.86
Notice board	556.50
3 Teak Seats	1446.81
1 Waste Bin	58.05
Lamp outside Church	2468.52
Children's Swings	320.78
Children's Slide	2467.48
Cricket strip	1915.25
Two goalposts & nets	616.88
Bench on Playing field	569.21
Parish clock on church	10203.70
13 street lamps attached to poles/houses	1239.70
1 street lamp on wooden pole	793.15
Sensor light on village hall	87.48
6 metal street lamps	4696.60
2 dog bins	694.27
Sign for village hall/playing field	568.80
Jungle Climber	7089.00
Monkey Bars	438.00
2 bay junior swing	2836.00
City Rota Bounce	2535.00

City Air Rider	1517.00
Lakeland Table	384.00
Sleeper Step	90.00
Embankment Ramp	896.00
Log Walk	48.00
Inclusive Orbit	3454.00
Small Fort	4160.00
Log Train	753.00
U Tube tunnel	2676.00
Playsand	3335.00
Safer Grass tiles	2574.00
Raised Edging Boards	588.00
Cushionfall/ loosefill	1617.00
Terram	409.00
Wobble Board	505.00
2 Cradle Seats	196.00
Wetpour	2162.00
Logs	1987.00
Cricket Nets	269.68
Sign	119.89
Willow Tunnel Kits	301.00
Roll Over Bars	238.00
Safety Grass (96 of 1.5Mx1M)	234.00
25m Timber & Steel Cableway	4250.00
Bespoke Table	785.00
Multi Sports System, Round Closed Goal, Goal Post	3610.00
Flymobile Roundabout	1481.00
Rock N Bowl Dish Rotaplay	1675.00
Cockerel 3 way Bounce about	1032.00
Sit in Spring Mobile	871.00
Monmouth Litter Bin	330.00
Topsoil & turf 85 sqm	1190.00
Outdoor sports gym equipment	3434.40

Total £91320.01

Liabilities for the year ending 31/3/12 totalling £18898.54: Playquest Adventure Play Ltd. £2721.60; M & B Bark and Horticultural Supplies Ltd. £357.98; Site Welfare Company Ltd. £96.00; Covey Garden Centre £81.00; Notice Board Company £1029.60; Derbyshire Aggregates £184.01; Pro-Scape £11962.80; Wicksteed Leisure Ltd. £1465.55 ; Spirits of Wood £1000.00.

Money owed for the year ending 31/3/12 HMRC VAT £7730.98.

During the year no payments were made under the Power of Well Being. There are 254 electors

Signed

Chairman

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Responsible Financial Officer

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Date